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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM ROGERS AND FUNSETH

DEPT FOR S, D, P, AND ARA (RYAN ONLY) AND

NSC EYES ONLY MR. SCOWCROFT

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TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.), PFOR, VE, PE, BR

SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S VISIT TO BOGOTA, PRESS ARRANGEMENTS

1. CONFIRMING ROGERS/FUNSETH TELCON, SECRETARY'S VISIT TO VENEZUELA, PERU AND BRAZIL HAS ACHIEVED OUR OBJECTIVE BOTH IN THE PRIVATE MEETINGS AND IN THE PUBLIC IMAGE. REPORTING, BOTH IN COUNTRIES VISITED AND IN UNITED STATES, HAS BEEN POSITIVE AND HAS FOCUSED ON SUBSTANTIVE ACHIEVEMENTS AND WARM AND FRIENDLY WELCOME IN EACH COUNTRY VISITED.

2. FROM YOUR ASSESSMENT OF LIKELY ANTI-AMERICAN DEMONSTRATIONS WITH A POTENTIAL FOR VIOLENCE, WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT BOTH YOU AND THE COLUMBIAN GOVERNMENT AGREE THAT IT WOULD BE EXTREMELY REGRETABLE IF THE VISIT TO COLUMBIA SHOULD RESULT IN THE FOCUS BEING ON HOSTILITY AND AN UNPLEASANT RECEPTION.

3. IN ORDER TO BALANCE REPORTING ON THE DEMONSTRATIONS WITH THE WARM AND FRIENDLY COLOMBIAN RECEPTION, WE HOPE THE PRESIDENT AND THE FOREIGN MINISTER WOULD AGREE THAT IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE TO PERMIT THE PRESS TO COVER THE

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SECRETARY'S ARRIVAL AT HATO GRANDE AND HIS BEING WELCOMED

TO COLOMBIA BY THE PRESIDENT. ON THE AMERICAN SIDE, THIS WOULD MEAN THE 15 JOURNALISTS ON THE AIRCRAFT PLUS US TV NETWORK FILM CREWS AND US WIRE SERVICE PHOTOGRAPHERS PRESENTLY IN BOGOTA.

4. FOR THE SAME REASONS WE RECOMMEND THAT THE PRESS BE BROUGHT OUT FROM BOGOTA TO HATO GRANDE (ARRIVING ABOUT 30 MINUTES BEFORE DEPARTURE) AND ACCOMPANY THE SECRETARY TO GUATAVITA AND TO THE RESIDENCE.

5. AT THE LUNCHEON WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE TO HAVE A POOL OF THREE FROM THE TRAVELLING PRESS PLUS TV AND STILL PHOTOGRAPHIC COVERAGE OF THE EXCHANGE OF TOASTS.

6. ALTHOUGH NO DECISION HAS BEEN MADE ON MEETING WITH EMBASSY STAFF, FOR PLANNING PURPOSES WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO LEAVE HATO GRANDE AT 10:00 AM AND WORK SUCH A MEETING INTO SCHEDULE.

7. SECRETARY WOULD PREFER TO MAKE ONLY A DEPARTURE STATEMENT TO PRESS AND NOT HAVE NEWS CONFERENCE AT AIRPORT.  
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